

FAQs

What do I do if I receive a notice?



If you receive a notice, go to www.ViolationInfo.com and logon with the information provided on the notice. There you can view video of the incident and the images captured. A local hearing is available upon request.

How much is the fine and what about my driving record?



Pursuant to the Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Act, the owner of a motor vehicle is liable for payment of a minimum civil penalty of **\$158**.

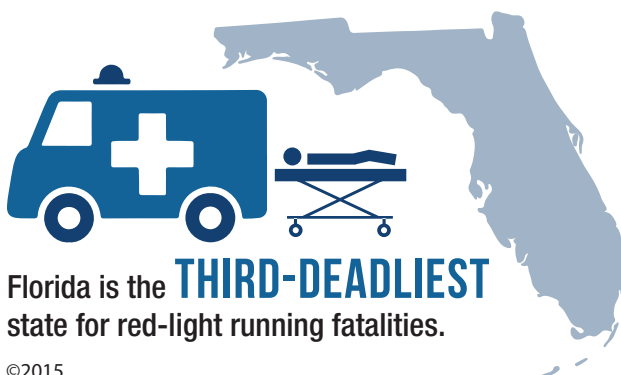


If the fine is not paid in a timely fashion a **"Uniform Traffic Citation"** will be issued and increased penalties could be assessed including court costs.

Why install red-light cameras?

The NHTSA states in 2013, over 60 Floridians lost their lives. Traffic studies show red-light running is a problem at many intersections throughout Surfside.

The Town of Surfside is committed to the safety of the community and dedicated to reducing red-light violations and their potential for crashes and injuries on our roadways.



Florida is the **THIRD-DEADLIEST** state for red-light running fatalities.

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Surfside Red-Light Safety Camera Facts

Who is running the red-light?

- Most red-light runners in Surfside do not get a second ticket. The community's recidivism rate is 6%, which means **94% of all violators who receive a ticket and pay it do not violate again.**

Keeping our Community Safe



Public education is the key to making our streets safer for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians. Brochures are available at Town Hall or at http://www.townofsurfsidefl.gov/Pages/SurfsideFL_Police/RedLight

Location of Red-Light Safety Cameras

- 88th Street and Collins Avenue
- 90th Street and Collins Avenue
- 93rd Street and Collins Avenue
- 96th Street and Collins Avenue
- 88th Street and Harding Avenue

Surfside Police Department
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Red-Light Safety Camera Program

This program is designed to reduce the number of violations, crashes and injuries caused by motorists running red lights. The objective of the program is to change driver behavior, making the community safer as more and more drivers obey the traffic signals and stop on red.



Travel safely in our community.

Public safety is the highest priority of the Surfside Police Department, and we believe the Red-Light Safety Camera Program will help make our roadways safer for both residents and visitors of our community. These cameras are another way our Department is using technology to improve public safety.

Run a red light – save only seconds.

Red-light running is the leading cause of urban crashes, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. In 2013, nearly 700 people were killed and an estimated 130,000 were injured in red-light running related crashes.



Police can't be at an intersection 24/7.

The Surfside Police Department simply does not have enough police officers to enforce red-light running violations at every dangerous intersection in the city using conventional methods.

The value of Surfside's Red-Light Safety Camera Program hasn't just been in terms of public safety. An additional value for taxpayers is the availability to police investigators of red-light safety camera videos.



The police have requested videos over 100 TIMES as a tool for investigating collisions and various other police investigations.

It helps reduce police operating costs when a video can help reconstruct an accident scene or provide another view of incidents at intersections.

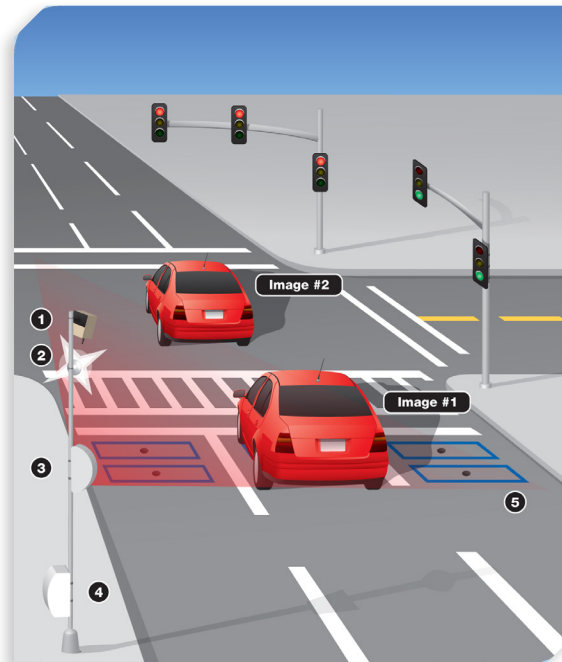
We want to change driver behavior.

Unfortunately, too many drivers choose to ignore traffic signals and think running a red light is "no big deal." We want to change this mind-set and make sure people driving in our Town know, red means stop.

National and international research shows cameras reduce red-light running violations and the life-threatening T-bone collisions that can result when vehicles collide in the middle of an intersection. An IIHS study found red-light cameras saved more than 150 lives in 14 of the country's largest cities in 2011.

HOW IT WORKS

- The system activates when motion is detected just prior to the stop bar AFTER the traffic signal has turned red. The cameras capture two images of an alleged violation, taken from the rear of the vehicle.
- The first image shows the vehicle at the white stop bar and the illuminated red light.
- The second image shows the violator in the middle of the intersection with the red light illuminated.
- The license plate image is a close-up from one of the images captured.
- Data, including the time, date, and duration of the yellow and red lights, also is recorded.
- Cameras also record a 12-second digital video of the violation, including six seconds prior to and six seconds after running the red light.



- 1 **Sensor Receiver**
- 2 **Strobe**
- 3 **Camera**
- 4 **Controller**
- 5 **Wireless Detection Sensors/ Detection Zones**

Image #1

The **1st Image** records the vehicle behind the crosswalk while the light is red

Image #2

The **2nd Image** records the vehicle proceeding through the intersection while the light is red